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Dear Sponsor/Friend:

As a business and community leader, you play an important role in building and sustaining vibrant communities. Likewise, the Men's Group of the Covenant Congregational Church of North Easton also understands its role as an active player in community building. In this regard, the Men's group has taken on *ending domestic violence* as a core mission of its work. In large part, this is because men hold a key voice in speaking out and standing up to say domestic violence is unacceptable.

This letter is an invitation to join with our Men's Group to support our 7th annual Flavors of the World dinner and wine tasting at Thorny Lea Country Club. The event raises funds to support the work of two leading agencies in the fight against domestic violence, HUGS II in Easton and Penelope's Place in Brockton. This year the event will be held on Saturday, February 4, 2012 from 7 to 11 pm. The event features premier wines from *Pops Fine Wines*, food from *Crazy Chefs*, voted "Best of Boston" award winning caterer, plus dancing and a silent auction.

Nationally, 1 in 4 women experience domestic violence at some point in their lives. On any given day in Massachusetts over 717 hotline calls are received and over 600 victims seeking shelter are turned away for lack of shelter space. Through September 2011, there have been 25 domestic violence homicides and 2 perpetrator suicides, resulting in 27 total deaths.

Unfortunately, this year's homicides include 1 in Easton, 2 in Brockton, 1 in Plymouth and 1 in Marshfield. This figure represents 20% of the total statewide deaths. Locally, both HUGS and Penelope's Place have experienced an increase in calls for services from both women and men.

We need your support. You can join the community of those who are committed to ending domestic violence through your sponsorship. Your donation will be acknowledged verbally and via presentations during the event. Complimentary tickets are available for Diamond, Platinum and Gold sponsors. Please contact Bob Clary (508-238-8868), the Church Office (508-238-6423) or Denise Papagno (508-942-5060) for tickets or more info, or visit our websites: HUGS <http://www.eastonhugs.org> and/or Penelope's Place <http://www.healthimperatives.org/penelope>.

Please see the attached form to make your gift today.

Yours truly,

Bob Clary and Kevin Symmons
Event Chairmen

Yes, I want to join with the Men's Group of the Covenant Congregational Church to end domestic violence.

I want to help sponsor the event at the level indicated below:

- _____ **DIAMOND LEVEL** \$ 5,000+ (includes 8 tickets to the event = 1 table)
- _____ **PLATINUM LEVEL** \$ 3,000 - \$ 4,999 (includes 4 tickets to the event)
- _____ **GOLD LEVEL** \$ 1,000 - \$ 2,999 (includes 2 tickets to the event)
- _____ **SILVER LEVEL** \$ 500 - \$ 999
- _____ **BRONZE LEVEL** \$ 250 - \$ 499
- _____ **PATRON LEVEL** *I would like to sponsor a table centerpiece for \$100.*
- _____ **TOTAL ENCLOSED**

If you wish to pay by credit card, please go to www.healthimperatives.org and go to the donate now button, and scroll down to the end, where you will see [Flavors of the World](#) link.

All sponsors will be acknowledged at the event unless otherwise requested.

Name: _____

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E-Mail address: _____

_____ Check here if you wish for your donation to remain **anonymous**.

Checks can be made out and mailed to any of the organizations listed below:

Covenant Congregational Church
204 Center Street
N. Easton, MA 02356

HUGS II
P.O. Box 43
N. Easton, MA 02356

Penelope's Place
950 W. Chestnut Street
Brockton, MA 02301

If you would like to purchase tickets to the event, please visit www.healthimperatives.org and click on the Flavors of the World icon, or visit www.eastonhugs.org and follow the instructions.